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MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Response and Amendment is being filed in response to an Office Action having a mail date of December 7, 2005 and having a three month shortened statutory period for response. This Amendment is being filed on the above indicated date which is on or before March 7, 2006 (the three month shortened statutory period for response). As such, no extension of time is necessary. If an extensions of time is necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is requested to deduct the necessary fee from Deposit Account 19-0134.

Amendments to the Claims follow. The Remarks section follows the amendments.